

BAY AREA AIR QUALITY

MANAGEMENT

DISTRICT

March 27, 2012

Ms. Deborah Jordon Director, Air Division **United States Environmental Protection Agency** 75 Hawthorne Street San Francisco, CA 94105

RE: Application #23438

Plant #A0550, NASA-AMES Research Center

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Susan Gorin Shirlee Zane Dear Ms. Jordan:

The District has completed its evaluation of NASA-AMES Research Center's application for a Synthetic Minor Operating Permit for their facility located at Moffett Field in Mountain View, CA. The District has made a preliminary decision to issue the Synthetic Minor Operating Permit.

The District's final decision on the permit issuance will consider public and EPA comment on the proposed synthetic minor operating permit. The notice inviting written public comments will be published in the Mercury News. The final date to submit comments is May 11, 2012. The 30-day EPA review period will run concurrently with the public notice period.

Enclosed for your information is a copy of the engineering evaluation report for this application. If you have any questions regarding this project, please call Ted Hull, Senior Air Quality Engineer, at (415) 749-4919.

Very truly yours,

Jack P. Broadbent
Executive Officer/Air Pollution Control Officer

By: Signed by Jim Karas

Jim Karas, Director of Engineering

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